

TRIAD TEACHER TRAINING 2005-2006

Once more a new school year has rolled around, and the TN DOE will again collaborate with TRIAD of Vanderbilt to provide teacher training to those staff who work with children with autism.

The training consists of three days of hands-on experience with children who have autism, plus the opportunity to receive a site visit in the trainee's setting within three months of their training. Training topics include characteristics, assessment, methodologies, communication, and behavior. Applicants can include general and special education teachers, speech-language therapists, related service personnel, behavior consultants, paraprofessionals, or any other school personnel involved in educating students with autism.

Participants must attend all three days of training, which takes place in Nashville. During 2005-2006, trainings offered will include Basic K-6, and Basic Middle/High School, and Advanced K-6. Teachers should apply early and for the grade level they teach.

There is **no cost** for the training or materials. The only cost to participants is transportation, food, and lodging, (if needed). Participants must fill out an application and be accepted. A maximum of two people from the same system can be accepted for the same training, with a maximum of five people from the same grand region of Tennessee. Special education directors who have interested staff may contact Linda Copas in the Division of Special Education at (615)-741-7790 for an application, or e-mail her at Linda.Copas@state.tn.us

Training dates for the fall semester include:

Basic Middle/High School	Sept. 7-9, 2005
Basic K-6	Oct. 25-27, 2005
Advanced K-6	Nov. 16-18, 2005

***(Please note-Applicants for Advanced training must have completed Basic training previously)**

Training dates for the spring semester include:

Basic K-6	Jan. 25-27, 2006
Basic Middle/High School	Feb. 22-24, 2006
Advanced K-6	March 22-24, 2006*
Basic K-6	April 5-7, 2006